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From the London Papers, April 16.

Brest, March 28. The frigate la Concorde having taken
on board the money she is to carry over to Newport in Ameri-
ca, sailed the 26th with M. de Barras. Le Bellone and l'E-
meroude failed at the same time, to see her beyond the Capes,
and are to cruise on their return. The 27th the King's sloop
le Jeune Henri entered the road.

The ships that are fitting out for M. de la Motte Picquet,
and which are to be ready in three weeks, are la Couronne of
80 guns, le Robuste and l'Adif of 74; l'Alexander, le Har-
di and le Lion of 64. This Squadron is to have two frigates
and two sloops.

Paris, April 2. By some letters from the Isle of France
we learn, that Mr Dorves was to quit that place the 8th of Oc-
tober, taking with him six ships of the line, two fine frigates,
and some others, on an expedition to India. He intended to
be at the mouth of the Ganges last December, in order to in-
tercept the ships passing that way. From thence he was to
cruise off the coasts of Coromandel and Malabar, and attack
Sir Edward Hughes, who was known to be at Madras, with
only six ships. We shall hear of his success in May or June.

Paris, April 3. After the arrival of a courier from Ma-
drid, at the Spanish Ambassador's, a report was spread, that
the Spanish fleet had returned to Cadiz the 17th of March, and
was to put to sea again two days after. This does not agree
with the letters from Cadiz of the 13th, which announce, that
Don Cordova having learnt by a Danish vessel from the coast
of England, that the English fleet was preparing to sail the 6th
or 7th of March, waited very quietly for it, and was making
dispositions to give it a good reception.

We have heard nothing yet about our fleet; when M. de
Grasse has passed the Capes, he will send us undoubtedly an
account of it.

M. de Guichen is set out for Lamballe, to have a conference
with M. de la Motte Picquet: This Commodore will not arrive

at Brest before Wednesday next. The destination of his squad-
ron is still a mystery; those who send him to the north, do
not consider that if that was his destination, 80 and 74 gun
ships would not be given him. It is the business of the Hol-
landers to profit by the absence of the English fleets, to attack
the common enemy, on that side. It is said here, that the
States General have about 20 or 25 ships of war in readiness
to put to sea; and they write from Amsterdam, that upwards
of 2000 artificers are employed in the dock yards of that city,
who work night and day.

LONDON.

Yesterday the Lord Chancellor set out for Mistle-hall, in
Essex, the seat of the Right Hon. Richard Rigby, Esq; for
the holidays.

We are told, from good authority, that Sir Joseph Yorke is
making preparations to set out for the Continent in a public
character.

This day some advices were received from the British Mini-
ster at Turin, at Lord Stormont's office, which were sent to
his Majesty at Windsor.

This morning some dispatches were received at the Admir-
alty from the Leeward-Islands, which were brought over in the
Maria, Capt. Baldwin, arrived at Liverpool.

This morning between three and four o'clock an express ar-
rived at Lord George Germain's office from Lord Cornwallis,
with some dispatches of a private nature.

Last night it was confidently reported that a packet was ar-
rived from India, with the disagreeable intelligence, that Hyder
Ally had marched to Pondicherry, and in a very short time
made himself master of it.—The place it seems was not capable
of making much defence, as the fortifications had been mostly
demolished, and no more troops were left in it, than were suf-
ficient to keep the French and Indian inhabitants in order.—
Pub. Ad.

Advices have been received at the Admiralty with informa-
tion, that Sir George Rodney is at this time preparing to trans-
mit the whole property which was found at St Eustatia, at the
time of its submission to the English arms, provisions and stores
only excluded, under a strong convoy to England. The im-
mediate reason for this extraordinary measure, is the claim
which has been made by a number of the West India merchants,
upon a great part of the property which was found in the island.
The decision concerning the case, whether or no their preten-
sions are founded upon equitable grounds, is to be left to the
determination of the proper Courts in this country.

Sir George Rodney is determined to keep up a spirit of dis-
cipline through all ranks of the navy, as the best means of pro-
ducing good consequences on every occasion. A mutiny, or
rather a conspiracy, having been on board the Sylph, which
was so timely discovered as to prevent any ill effect, Sir
George ordered a Court Martial to be held on the delinquents,
when it clearly appeared, that it was their intention to have
seized the sloop, and to have carried her into some port of the
enemy. The sentence which is awarded by martial law was
accordingly passed upon them, and six of the most daring im-
mediately hung up at the yard arm. The remainder of the
conspirators who had been wrought upon by artifice, were dis-
tributed among other ships in the fleet.

It was naturally expected, that Sir George Rodney and Gen-
eral Vaughan would have proceeded from Eustatia to the con-
quest of Curassoa, and we are somewhat disappointed in finding
that an expedition, so likely to succeed, and promising such
rewards to those who should be concerned in it, was not under-
taken. But the public must be abundantly satisfied with the
reasons assigned for this omission. Our two gallant command-
ers were taught to expect the speedy arrival of a fleet and ar-
my from France, and they thought it their duty not to hazard
the safety of our islands, nor to lose the chance of intercepting
those expected reinforcements, and of defeating their designs,
by undertaking a distant expedition, the chief object of which
could be nothing but plunder. They therefore, like honest
Englishmen and true patriots, gave up the prospect of advancing
their own private interest, for that of promoting the national ben-
efit.

A young Gentleman of distinction, serving as volunteer under
Admiral Rodney at St Eustatia, writes to his friends, that
the Admiral, General, and the oldest officers in the fleet, have
all expressed their surprise at this want of wealth and riches.
There are store-houses 3000 feet in length, four stories high,
full of indigo, cochineal, sugars, tobaccos, &c. with some thou-
sand bales of linen and woollen cloths; the value of the whole
cannot be less than four millions of pounds sterling.

Sir Andrew Snape Hammond is appointed Lieutenant Gov-
ernor of Nova Scotia, in the room of Sir Richard Hughes,
Bart.

It is said, that the Parliament will finish the remaining part
of the business that lies before them before the King's birth-
day, when they will be prorogued.

An enquiry into the Spanish navy was lately set on foot at
Madrid; soon after which, the commissioners adjourned to
Cadiz; and the report is, that they found their grand fleet in
so bad a condition, that not half the ships were deemed fit for
real service. The King was extremely offended when he learned
this, and upon further examination, found that it was to-
tally owing to the neglect of a superintendent of his own making;
who was sheltered from prosecution by the King himself; but
had a coadjutor given him,—a measure the Spaniard foresaw
would be of little effect. They have disagreed very much al-
ready, for whatever the one purposes, the other is sure to con-
tradict; and in the mean time the service suffers considerably.

Lord Sandwich has had several conferences with the King
upon the subject of the naval militia; his Majesty approved it
very much; till Mr Jenkinson, as Secretary at war, objected,
that in proportion, as any militia is increased, the difficulties
of recruiting the army would be augmented: Lord Sandwich
however defends this plan strenuously, and it is thought, will
have influence sufficient to carry it in the cabinet.

The following is a correct list of the ships which have been

put into commission since the commencement of the present
year, besides armed ships, cutters, tenders, armed store ships,
and vessels of an inferior class, most of which are already at
sea, and the whole will be completed for service in a few
weeks:

	Guns.	Men.	Commanders.
Africa,	68	500	Dickson.
Agamemnon,	68	500	Caldwell.
Ashistance,	56	350	Worth.
Argo,	48	300	Mason.
Dolphin,	48	300	Blair.
Arethusa,	44	280	Sir Rich. Pearson.
Perseverance,	44	280	Lutwidge.
Latona,	44	280	Sir Hyde Parker.
Success,	36	220	Poole.
Amphion,	36	220	Bazeley.
Profelyce,	36	220	Brown.
Iphigenia,	36	220	Hope.
Crocodile,	28	165	King.
Eurydice,	24	160	Willon.
Fairy,	20	130	Yeo.
Cameleon,	16	90	Drury.
* Centurion,	56	350	Clayton.
* Preston,	56	350	Greame.
† Artois,	44	280	Macbride.
† Fortunée,	42	260	Christian.
† La Nymph,	40	255	Ford.
† Belle Poule,	42	260	Patton.
† San.Margarita	40	250	Salter.
† Porto,	14	75	Lumley.

Total, 986 5395

* Have undergone a repair. † Taken from the enemy.

When we reflect that so considerable a reinforcement has
been added to our navy at home, and recollect the great aug-
mentation it has received in the West-Indies and America, by
the many captures made in those parts, we may venture to fel-
icitate ourselves on our formidable acquisition, and for once
acknowledge, that the first Lord of the Admiralty has a fair
claim to the approbation and support of his country, and that
our best commendations are due to our navy across the At-
lantic.

Unless Sir Edward Hughes attacks the armament which the
French have sent from the Mauritius under convoy of six sail
of the line, all the lesser settlements on the Malabar coast will
fall, as they are evidently and undoubtedly gone there. The
writer of this can assure the public, they have four regiments
of the Normandy troops, the healthiest and bravest of the army of
France, and led by most distinguished officers, who are assisted
in this scheme by Monsieur Chevalier, whom the President and
Council so foolishly let go after he was made prisoner, at Chan-
denagore. This gentleman is acknowledged to be better ac-
quainted with every power and state in India than any other
person soever. The Dutch, who have a firm and strong set-
tlement at Cochin, on the Malabar coast, will secure the French
a good landing, unless by good luck we should have taken it
before he arrives; and Hyder Ally, who is so near, will easily
be able to join the French, and then adieu to the Carnatic. It
was however the chief intention of the French to get to the
Northern parts of the kingdom of Bengal, where they hoped to
make such an impression as to hinder the Company from collect-
ing their revenues, which of course will ruin them. They have
not an idea of conquering us in that part, nor is it possible, whilst
we have a fleet there.

The proposals which have lately arrived from America, con-
tain, among many others, the following important points:—1.
The sword to rest with the King, but no troops of any kind to
be raised, employed, or quartered, without the consent of the
Assemblies. 2. Courts of Admiralty to be regulated on the
terms laid down by Dr Franklin. 3. All servants, military
and civil, employed by Congress, to be employed, if they re-
quest it, in equal parts by the King. 4. All acts of Parliament
since 1762, relative to America, to be repealed. 5. Great
Britain to drive the French out of Rhode Island.

A gentleman just arrived from Amsterdam, where he has
constantly resided for eight years, assures us, that the lower and
midding class of the Dutch are so irritated against this coun-
try, that it is dangerous for an Englishman to appear in the
streets, or even to give his opinion on the causes of the present
rupture among his most intimate Dutch acquaintance.

The collectors of our West-India islands are involved in a
very serious dispute with the Crown, on account of a practice
universally prevalent, of permitting the West-India merchants
to export their sugar in casks that considerably exceed the al-
lowed dimension of a hoghead, and charging the duties only
as upon hogheads. This fraud upon the Customs having been
discovered by the Surveyors General, who lately visited those
islands, the Commissioners of the Customs have commenced
suits against the Collectors and their sureties, for the deficiency,
which, in some of the islands, amounts to 16,000 l. but it is
thought the real interest used for some among them will ward
off the blow.

Mr Laurens has now the liberty of walking round the ram-
parts, and other places of the Tower, which he does generally
twice a day, attended by one of the warders, and enjoys a good
state of health. Mr La Motte is close confined in his room,
owing, it is said, to his having attempted, some time ago, to
make his escape: he has no other opportunity of taking the air
than from a balcony belonging to his apartment, appears ex-
tremely sulky, and does not like to be spoke to.

Saturday's Gazette contains an additional instruction to all
ships of war and privateers that have or may have letters of
marque against the French King, or the King of Spain, or the
States General of the United Provinces, carrying cargoes of
the growth, produce, or manufacture of the islands of Grena-
da, the Grenadines, St Vincent, and Dominica, which are to be
considered as neutral property for six months, from the 29th of
December, 1780.



War-Office, April 17, 1781.

4 Troop of horse grenadier guards, Guidon and Captain George Warde, is appointed to be Lieutenant and Captain, vice Thomas Tigh. Sub-Lieutenant John Smith to be Guidon and Captain, vice George Warde. Cornet Peter Serle, of 6th dragoons, to be Sub-Lieutenant, vice John Smith.

3d Regiment of dragoon guards, Cornet Cornelius Caley to be Lieutenant, vice Edward Broadley Burrow.

15th Regiment of dragoons, Cornet George Caesar Hopkinson to be Lieutenant, vice Richard Bell.

75th Regiment of foot, John Galwey, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Terry Sayer.

Sutherland Regiment of Fencible Men, Ensign Alexander Campbell to be Lieutenant, vice John Scobie. William McKay, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Alexander Campbell.

INTELLIGENCE FROM LLOYD'S, April 17.

The Endeavour, Langdon, from Liverpool to Portsmouth, is lost at Scilly; part of the cargo saved.

The Joshua and Phebe, Martin, from London to Waterford, was taken the 26th ult. off the Lizard by a French privateer, and sent for St. Maloes.

The Carlton, from Oporto to New York, is taken by an America n privateer, and sent for Salem.

Milford, 10. The N. S. de Carmo a Dolphin, Viente, from Lisbon, with rice, tea, sugar, and fruit, for Amsterdam, put into Tenby Pier, and being very sharp, lay on her broadside, when she took the ground. Next day her timber gave way, the water flowed into her, and her whole cargo totally spoiled. The N. S. de Bitolia, Pinto, from Oporto to London, spoke with the Fame, Burrows, from Bristol to Tortola and Jamaica, on the 15th ult. all well, lat 49. 39. N. long 8. 40. W. with a fine wind at S. E.

Torbay, 9. Yesterday, arrived the Earl of Dublin, from Dublin to Newport, taken by a Dunkirk privateer, and retaken by the Tartar privateer of Alderney.

Elfinore, 3. Yesterday wind S. E. blows exceeding hard. Sailed hence the Prince Frederick, Hoven, belonging to the East India Company at Copenhagen, for China. This day, a moderate breeze at E. S. E. Sailed hence the Prince Carl, Piel, from Copenhagen for Tranquebar.

The Joseph and Teresa, Bolts, an Imperial East India ship, was well the 18th of March, 10 leagues from Cape St. Mary's, in her way to Leghorn.

The Lord Howe, Power, from London to Barbadoes, was taken by the Pilgrim American privateer; the Captain arrived at Barbadoes.

The Padley, Gardner, from Carron, arrived in the river, chased off Lemington, a privateer, which had taken some coalters.

The Lively privateer of Falmouth, Captain Brown, of 16 four-pounders and 70 men, has taken and sent into Fowey the Prince D. Tingry privateer, of St. Maloes, of 15 nine-pounders, and 70 men.

The Portsmouth, Clark, from Yarmouth to Hamburg, was taken the 8th inst. by the Ferret privateer of Dunkirk, and ransomed for 500 guineas; the privateer is since taken, and brought into Yarmouth Roads, by the Liberty cutter, with the ransomers for the Portsmouth and two other vessels on board.

The fleet from England arrived at Barbadoes the 13th of February.

The Betty, Blackburn, from London to Barbadoes, was taken the 2d of January by the Pilgrim American privateer.

From the London Papers, April 17.

Hanna, March 13. By letters from Saxony, we are informed that in the course of last month, the fall of snow had been so heavy and abundant, that the very roofs of houses gave way under it, at a place called Oberwiesenthal. They add, that the distress of the inhabitants were such, that being in want of every kind of necessaries, and unable to find their way to any of the neighbouring towns, several of them had miserably perished.

Paris, April 5. A melancholy affair happened a few days ago at Mubeage, where they were proving some new muskets, &c. in the presence of the principal officers of artillery. The pieces, for this purpose, were doubly, and some trebly, charged; and, by some fatal mistake, were fired off before the signal was given for the company to retire. The Commandant of the Artillery, four officers, and thirty-five soldiers, lost their lives on this occasion. The King was greatly affected, on hearing of this sad event.

Paris, April 6. It is said M. Necker has just concluded a most advantageous bargain with Dr. Franklin, having purchased from the Congress, for three millions of livres, as much Virginia tobacco as cost heretofore nine millions. The people, however, are not to purchase this commodity the cheaper, government only being to profit by it.

Hague, April 12. The last letters from Ostend say, that Sir Joseph Yorke was daily expected there.

L O N D O N.

A packet is arrived at Kinfale in Ireland, from Madras, which sailed on the 5th of December last; by this vessel a confirmation is said to be received of the great success of Hyder Ali, in the East Indies.

In the battle, near Arcot, which was fought the latter end of July, the discipline and valour of Hyder Ali's troops was extraordinary. They charged our army three times, in every one of which they were repulsed with great slaughter; nevertheless, they made a fourth, when they succeeded, and a terrible carnage of our people ensued; one hundred European officers, among them the Colonels Bailey and Fletcher, and one thousand five hundred soldiers, Europeans and Seapoys, were killed; the wounded and prisoners were not very considerable, little or no quarter being given; but all the artillery and baggage are fallen into the hands of the conqueror. Arcot and Pondicherry were in possession of the enemy at the departure of the packet. They had also laid siege to the city of Valear, the strongest interior place in the southern part of Indostan, which it was supposed might hold out six weeks. Sir Hector Munro was blocked up, with the remainder of the army, in Conjeveram, seventy miles from Madras. Hyder Ali has been at the Mount, four miles from the above place, which he has destroyed, and has declared he will never lay down his arms while a white man remains in India. Sir Eyre Coote was arrived at Madras, and was trying Col. Stewart, which was only for form sake, as it was well known Sir Eyre, on his acquittal, had determined to place him at the head of the army, in the room of Sir Hector Munro, whose conduct in this unfortunate business was much censured there. Mr Dempster, brother to the Member of that name, is the Messenger of this unwelcome news.—London Courant.

It was yesterday confidently reported, that Sir Eyre Coote had joined General Munro, and that they had driven Hyder Ali quite out of the Carnatic with great slaughter, and loss of part of his baggage and ammunition. Morn. Chron.

The packet which is put into Kinfale from the East-Indies, brings the agreeable news of the safe arrival of all the Company's ships bound to Madras and China. But we are sorry to acquaint our readers, that the same packet confirms the intelligence respecting Hyder Ali, with most of the disagreeable circumstances mentioned above.

It is amazing with what zeal some people announce every piece of intelligence, that is disastrous to this country, and it is with concern we see the particulars of our misfortunes in India given in a morning paper, without their being accompanied with

one favourable circumstance; but it is with pleasure we can assure the public, from most unquestionable authority, that though our troops have met with the severest blow the English ever suffered in Hindostan, yet, before the packet sailed, Sir Eyre Coote had got into force, Hyder Ally had retreated, and declared his willingness to accept of a peace. Gen. Even.

The Fox, Walpole, True Briton, and Grafton, from London, arrived at Calcutta in October.

The Princess Royal, from London, is arrived at St Helena.

The Duke of Kingston was well at Madras the 3d of September.

The directors of the India Company are to have their first interview with Lord North on Monday next; by appointment, to consider of proposals for the basis of an agreement between the Company and the public.

The Ceres East Indiaman brought with her to Europe 55 Lascars; but the buried nine of them in Ireland, and ten in England, notwithstanding they were provided with the warmest clothing that could possibly be procured for them. These Indians are seized with an extreme coldness and shivering in every joint, and expire almost immediately.

The Morfe East Indiaman, in her voyage home, on account of her leaky state, was obliged to throw 360 chests of tea over board. She had been out thirty-eight months on a trading voyage.

His Majesty has, upon very mature consideration, determined to have a new survey of England, taken upon the plan of that of doomsday-book, by William the Conqueror: The scheme has been more than once under consideration of the Cabinet Council. The Chancellor is of opinion it may be done without any other authority than the Privy-Seal; but Lord North is strenuous for parliamentary authority; his Lordship's opinion prevails; and it is thought a bill will be brought into the House of Commons this Session.

A letter received from Paris by yesterday's mail, dated April 3, says, "A courier arrived yesterday at the Spanish Ambassador's, and it was soon after given out that the Spanish fleet had put back to Cadiz on the 17th of March."

A private letter from Amsterdam brings advice that two of the most capital houses in that city stopped last week for very large sums of money.

By authentic letters from Ostend, we learn, that a few days since, as the Sprightly cutter, commanded by Lieutenant Bray, was sailing out of that harbour, one of the crew jumped overboard, with intention, as it was presumed, to desert; but he was immediately fired at by order of the commanding officer, shot through the body, and died in a few seconds.

It is positively asserted, that on the arrival of the above cutter in the Downs, the Lords of the Admiralty sent orders to have the commander of the vessel suspended, till the unfortunate matter is investigated.

Lieutenant Swan, of the Advice cutter, stationed at Lynn, is appointed to the command of the Sprightly cutter, in the room of Lieutenant Bray.

This morning a tender full of men failed from the Tower to Sheerness, to be put on board the ships in the Medway. Eleven hundred seamen (pressed men and volunteers) have been sent from the out-ports to Portsmouth, for the service of the navy, in the course of the last three weeks.

Lord Dunmore has applied to Government for leave to return to Virginia, under the idea that he will be able to form several corps there of the Virginians, and to arm them in assisting towards the reduction of the rebellion in that part of America, which, his Lordship is inclined to think, may, ere long, be put an end to. Whether his Lordship may be right or not in the hopes he has formed, must be left to time to discover: But his Lordship, it is said, has leave for returning to Virginia, and will very soon set off for that place.

There are many reports respecting the intention of the Lord C—. The true one, however, is, that the present measures are very much against his opinion; and those who are known to be in his confidence, scruple not to assert, that unless another system of politics is adopted, the Seals will be in different hands before the meeting of Parliament, after the present recess.

Great interest is making, in order to procure Sir Hugh Palliser the Government of Jamaica.

The climate in North Carolina will be favourable for Lord Cornwallis's operations till almost the beginning of May; he will consequently have more than two months to continue the campaign in after the date of his last dispatches.

Extract of a letter from Harwich, April 12.

"By the Prince of Wales packet we are informed, that a Dutch 64 gun ship, lying in the Texel, about ten days ago, wanting a repair in her bottom, was hove down, keel out of the water, but the tackles by some means giving way, she suddenly fell back again, which forced the floats through her bottom, and killed and wounded 100 workmen thereon. The ship instantly filled and sunk in deep water, and was entirely lost."

Anecdote.—In the last Dutch war in Charles the 11th's reign, when Van Trump commanded the channel fleet, he sent a squadron consisting of six or six ships to attempt a passage up the Thames, which, to the eternal disgrace of that profligate reign, was effected without opposition, a considerable way above Gravesend. The English Admiral, who had a fleet also in the channel, was soon apprized of this bold step, and, the following night, dispatched a superior force after them, but not time enough to prevent the dishonour; however, they soon came up with the invaders, and a most desperate engagement ensued, which only terminated with the night. The next morning, almost on the instant that they were preparing to renew the engagement, a proclamation was received, commanding the suspension of hostilities, the two courts having mutually agreed to a cessation of arms for six months. During this interval, there was the most social intercourse between the officers and men belonging to the Dutch and English ships as they lay along side each other. On board of one of the Dutch men of war was a sailor, that every day entertained the fleets by going aloft to the main top-mast head, and after playing several antics, generally concluded with standing upon his head on the very pinnacle of the mast, from where the vane runs. This feat was always accompanied with an insulting bravado to the English sailors, that none of them dared do the like; which at last so irritated one of the honest fairs, that on the challenge being repeated "one day with more than ordinary exultation, he in a manner flew up the shrouds, and reaching the top-mast head, was observed with his head down upon the ball, making several attempts to throw himself upright as the Dutchman had done; but, unfortunately, not being able to preserve the equilibrium, he pitched right over, and must have been inevitably dashed to pieces, but for the providential interposition of the rigging,

which broke his fall, and miraculously placed him upon his legs on the deck, without receiving the least hurt. The moment he recovered from his surprise, he ran to the side of the ship, and called out to the Dutch, "There, d—n your eyes, do that if you can!"

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, April 17.

"Mr de Thulemeyer, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Prussia to the republic of Holland, had a conference on the 11th instant, at the Hague, with the President of the Assembly of the States General, to whom he delivered a memorial, containing in substance his Prussian Majesty's request, that their High Mightinesses would give orders to all commanders of their ships of war and privateers, to leave all Prussian ships of war and privateers unmolested at sea; and that in case any goods and merchandizes, belonging to Prussian subjects, should be taken on board of any other vessel, that speedy enquiry should be made, and the same delivered up to the orders of the owners. The said Minister has also claimed a vessel sailing under Prussian colours, and destined for Embden, which had been taken by some armed boats from Delfzyl.

"According to the last advice from Berlin, the King of Prussia enjoys now a perfect state of health, and is almost every day present at the manoeuvres of his guards, commanding them in person, and keeping on horseback for four or five hours running.

"The following is an authentic account of the operation of the French fleet:—"It consists of 27 ships of the line, having on board 12,000 troops, six of these ships and 3000 of the troops are destined for the East Indies, and the rest to the Leeward Islands. Information of the strength and destination of the above fleet has been sent from Government, by two of the swiftest sailing vessels in the service, to Sir George Rodney and Gen. Vaughan, to put them on their guard as to the motions of this formidable squadron.

"It was this evening currently reported, that a packet-boat was arrived from the West Indies; but no dispatches nor mail was received in town when the post left London.

"The Ponsborne, East Indiaman, with several other ships, were safe arrived at Madras before the packet sailed, and were gone with Admiral Hughes for Bengal.

"The Prosperity, Capt. Lawton, from Lisbon to Newfoundland, is taken by the Spaniards, and carried into Cadiz."

Admiralty-Office, April 13, 1781.

Extract of a letter from Captain Berkley, commander of the Liberty cutter, to Mr Stephens, dated Yarmouth Roads, April 17, 1781.

"I beg you will be pleased to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that, on the 12th instant, at half past four P. M. being on a cruise, Lowestoffe bearing N. W. two leagues, I saw a cutter, to whom I gave chase, and at half past ten o'clock, being within hail, I fired two broadsides, which totally disabled her. She proves to be the Ferret privateer of Dunkirk, commanded by Francois René Grange, mounting 12 guns and 16 swivels, (most of which he had thrown over board during the chase) and manned with 44 men."

By the Tryall packet, Captain Dempster, just arrived at Kinfale, there are letters in town, dated Madras, 6th November, confirming the disagreeable news, formerly received from India, in most particulars. It is said, our troops were attacked three days by Heyder Ally's son, whom they beat off with great loss. On the fourth day, they were attacked by Heyder himself with all his force, amounting to 50,000 men, including 400 French under Lally, whom they also would have repulsed, had it not been for an unexpected accident. A shower of rockets, from Heyder's army, setting fire to their tumbrels containing their ammunition, the whole was blown up, so that they had none wherewith to defend themselves. Most part of our troops, above 4000 men, are either killed or taken prisoners. Among the former is Col. Fletcher, and about 30 officers. Col. Baillie, and about 37 officers, are wounded, and taken prisoners. Heyder Ally is in possession of Arcot and Pondicherry. Gen. Munro, with 15,000 horse and 25,000 foot, including seapoys, is encamped within five miles of Madras.

Yesterday afternoon, arrived in Leith Roads, his Majesty's frigate Procyte of 36 guns, Captain Brown, who is appointed convoy to the Greenlandmen to sail from this country, two of whom accompanied her from Dunbar. On her passage here she discovered a vessel, to which she gave chase for several hours. At last she came up with her, and the vessel struck. She proves to be of about 150 tons burthen, not above three months old, and a very fine sailer. Though she had nothing on board when taken, there is every reason to believe her a smuggler; but that, upon finding herself hard pressed, she had thrown all her cargo overboard during the chase. It is also believed, that great part of her crew, during that time, had taken to the boat, as only twelve men, and the Captain, were found in her when taken. The Procyte brought this vessel to Leith Roads along with her.

This afternoon, the Lord Prospekt received a letter from the Mayor of Newcastle, by express, inclosing an affidavit of William Leslie, druggist of Aberdeen, who yesterday, before that Magistrate, deposed, That he was passenger on board the Nancy of Aberdeen, John Ramsay master, bound for Newcastle upon Tyne, and that, about 10 o'clock on Monday night, the 16th inst. the wind at W. the Nancy being two leagues distant from St Abb's Head, bearing about W. a large ship, which came right off the land, appeared in sight, and at first supposed to be an English frigate, but turned out to be the Tartar frigate, of Dunkirk, four days from that place, mounting 36 guns, and 250 men, which boarded the Nancy about eleven o'clock that night, and took the master, with all the hands, except the mate, on board the frigate, leaving about 12 or 14 Frenchmen on board the Nancy; and in about an hour after the master and crew were returned on board the Nancy, who informed the deponent, that the vessel and cargo were ransomed for three hundred guineas, and that the master was taken as ransom, but allowed to return on board for his cloaths.—Mr Leslie further deposes, That in about an hour after, a boatful of Frenchmen came alongside the Nancy from another frigate, which then came in sight, and appeared to be rather larger than the former, and commanded the Nancy to come to; and, upon their being told that the vessel was ransomed about an hour before by the Tartar frigate, they left the Nancy.—Mr Leslie farther deposes, That, about an hour after this last transaction, the Nancy was hailed to by another French vessel, snow built, who, upon being told

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Immediately on receipt of the above, the Lord Provost dispatched a messenger with copies of Mayor of Newcastle's letter, and the deposition of Mr Leslie, to the Commodore in Leith Roads.

This day, the Lord Provost received a letter from Philip Stephens, Esq; Secretary to the Admiralty, acquainting his Lordship, that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty had appointed his Majesty's ship the Artois to convoy the trade from the North to the Baltic, instead of the Tartar. In answer to the Provost's letter of the 12th, he acquaints his Lordship, that the Artois is now on her passage thither, and will call in her way, in Leith Roads, to take the trade from thence.

Most of his Majesty's ships in the Roads failed this afternoon on a cruise, in order to intercept, if possible, the privateers which at present infest the coast. The Greenlandmen also failed, under convoy of the Prosylyte.

Thursday morning, about five o'clock, the Lord Provost received a letter by express, dated eleven o'clock the preceding night, from the Provost of Dunbar, informing his Lordship, that, at the close of the evening, a very large cutter came in sight, off that harbour, which the seafaring people there thought an enemy, and that it was probably the vessel commanded by Fall, which captured the Eagle privateer belonging to Leith. In consequence of this intelligence, the Lord Provost immediately sent off a letter to the Commodore of the King's ships now lying in Leith Roads, informing that from the Provost of Dunbar.

Thursday night, the Lord Provost received another letter from the Provost of Dunbar, likewise by express, intimating, that he had people looking out all Thursday morning and forenoon, who reported to him, that they saw the same cutter, mentioned above, in the offing, with two brigs; one of the brigs a large long vessel. They observed one of the brigs pass the cutter, on which the cutter made a signal, which makes the people conclude that they are vessels in concert, and that they must be cruisers, as no other kind of vessels would keep the station they do.—The contents of this second letter were early yesterday morning communicated to Commodore Stewart.

Extract of a letter from Eyemouth to the Lord Provost of this City.

My Lord, Eyemouth, April 19. two o'clock, P. M.
"I thought it my duty to acquaint you, that I just now received a card from on board the Swift cutter of London, Edmund Ward-master, advising me, that yesterday evening he was taken off St Abb's Head by a cutter from Bologne, mounting 22 guns, six-pounders, and 130 men, and was ransomed for 600 l. He was on his passage from Aberdeen to London. The vessel which took him was a fine new cutter, but all blacked. Her sails all new, of English canvas."

In consequence of the above, his Lordship again sent information to the Commodore in Leith Roads.

In our last, we mentioned the capture of the famous Luke Ryan. The ship which he commanded, now turns out to be the Sans Peur, privateer of Dunkirk. She had only been from that place six days, when, on Tuesday morning, about two o'clock, the Berwick man of war, and Belle Poule frigate fell in with her off St Abb's Head. She mounts 32 guns, and had near 250 hands on board. The privateer, in the dark, mistaking the Berwick for a Greenlandman, ordered her to bring to, and fired several broadsides before they discovered their mistake; but, when the Berwick's lower ports were opened, they endeavoured, by crowding sail, to make off, at the same time cutting adrift a boat, with a Lieutenant and thirteen men, which was lying at her stern, for the purpose of boarding the supposed Greenlandman. Owing to the darkness of the night, the Berwick could not keep fight of the privateer, and the shot a-head of her. The Berwick, upon this, gave chase to windward, and the Belle Poule to leeward; so that the Sans Peur changing her tack, occasioned an exchange of broadsides with her and the Belle Poule. The chase was continued till half past six, when the Sans Peur, finding they came fast up with her, struck, upon a gun being fired from the quarter deck of the Berwick.—The privateer had one man killed and two wounded; the Berwick one man wounded, and the Belle Poule none in the least hurt. Ryan had been only six days from Dunkirk, and had taken, a short time before he fell in with the above ships, the Nancy of Aberdeen, Ramfay, bound for Newcastle, and ransomed her for 300 guineas.

We are informed, that this celebrated depredator discovered singular judgment in the management of his vessel during the whole of the encounter, and behaved with great intrepidity.

A sailor belonging to the Belle Poule picked up the signals of the privateer, contained in a tin canister, which had been thrown over board by the people of the Sans Peur. As it is supposed she is one of a squadron, and as possession of their signals has been obtained by the above means, we are informed the Sans Peur will immediately be sent out, in order to decoy those of the same squadron who may naturally be presumed at present upon the coast.

Thursday, the crew of the Sans Peur were landed at Leith, and, escorted by a party of the 25th regiment of foot, were lodged prisoners in the Castle.

The Alfred armed ship being at present unfit for sea, is the reason why no convoy is as yet appointed for the trade from Leith to London.

Thursday, George Buchan Hepburn of Smeaton, Esq; advocate, eldest son of John Buchan of Letham, Esq; East Lothian, was married here, to Mrs Fraser, the lady of the late Brigadier General Fraser.

Tuesday last, was married at Lude, John Menzies of Culdres, Esq; to Miss Charlotte Robertson, eldest daughter of Robert Robertson of Tullibeltol, Esq;

A few days ago, an ewe, belonging to Mr Worsdale, of Spanby, in Lincolnshire, yeanned five lambs, in due proportion, three of which are living. Last year, the same ewe had three, and the year before four, and ten out of the twelve are now living.

About nine in the evening of the 10th inst. a meteor of an uncommon appearance was observed in Leeds: It resembled a large ball of fire, and appeared to cross the town in a direction from N. W. to S. E. carrying after it a train of considerable length. Its course through the air, though unequal, was very low. The same luminous appearance was observed in York, in a direction similar to the above, and about the same time.

A few days ago, a poor labouring man at Rayden, near Leeds, found a gold chain, weighing near five ounces, and

worth about seventeen guineas, as he was getting stone in a field near that place. It is a very antique piece, and must have been buried in the earth a long time, although it was only a few inches from the surface of the ground. It is supposed to be what the ancient Britons wore, is what the Antiquarians call a *Torques*, and perfectly answers the description contained in the following lines taken from Virgil, *Æn. Book V. line 558.*

"In pectore summo
"Flexilis aborti per collum circulus auri."

Two Spanish prisoners, presently on their parole at Linlithgow, having gone to fish in the river Avon, about two miles west from the town, were desirous, at some time, of enjoying their favourite amusement of smoking a pipe. Having no light, they employed two young lads, who had accompanied them, to procure them one. This they very obligingly agreed to do; and having got some rags rolled up together, they lighted them at the first house, and brought them to the Spaniards. By some accident or other, these live rags were left among some brush-wood hard by; the consequence was, that the fishers naturally leaving that place in pursuit of further entertainment, the fire communicated to a young plantation, when, unfortunately, about two acres of it were consumed.—The inhabitants of Linlithgow have all along shewn the greatest humanity and attention to the French and Spanish prisoners quartered there.

Mr Ninian Menzies, of Glasgow, merchant, died at St Eustatia, on the 18th of February last.

Wednesday, several gentlemen in Glasgow who resided in Virginia (as long as Government had footing in that province) received letters from Lord Dunmore, informing them that he had orders to hold himself in readiness to return to his government, and that he expected they would accompany him, as there is reason to think that province will be in the King's peace by the first of July.

Friday last, Duncan McDonald, huckster, was, by warrant of the Magistrates of Glasgow, incarcerated in the tolbooth of that city, on suspicion of the murder of John McWharrie, labourer—McWharrie had been drinking in McDonald's house the night before, and was found dead in it next morning. The Magistrates ordered his body immediately to be inspected by surgeons, who found no external marks of violence; but the body being still warm, they then proceeded no farther. It was, however, opened on Saturday, when the surgeons declared, they observed no marks of violence on the deceased.—McDonald is to remain in prison, till liberated in due course of law.

This week, was married, at Falkirk, Thomas Henderson aged 86, to Elizabeth Wardrop, aged 88 years.

Last week, the following remarkable accident happened at Lightburn, a village in the neighbourhood of Glasgow—A man who was passing by an old coal-pit, had the curiosity to look into it; but the earth giving way, he fell into the pit, which was upwards of fifteen fathoms deep, with some fathoms of it water at the bottom. Some people who heard his cries, made every necessary preparation to rescue him from this dreadful situation: They let down ropes, which he tied about his body, and by that means was brought up alive. He was above fifteen minutes in the pit, and kept himself afloat by swimming.

On Wednesday se'ennight, or next morning, a house in Pollockhaws (a populous village about two miles south-west of Glasgow), was discovered to be on fire. That house, and the one adjoining, were totally burnt, the people having scarce time to escape from the flames.—It is not known in what manner this fire was occasioned.

Sunday se'ennight, or Monday morning, a house and barn in the parish of Calder, at Mossneuk, were burnt, together with the household furniture, and every thing belonging to the family who lived in it. A man passing by gave the alarm to the people of the house, who escaped the flames with difficulty, and one of them was so much scorched, that he is yet in a dangerous way.

Last week, the house of one Mr Greenlees, in Calton of Glasgow, was broke into in the night, and several articles of value carried off.

The Nelly, Lusk, from Clyde, is arrived at St Kitts; as also, the Jenny, Duncan, from ditto, at Antigua.

Extract of a letter from Cork, April 12.
"This day, arrived at Cow's Quay, his Majesty's ship Buffalo, 64 guns, Capt. Trevelock, from Portsmouth."

"Same day, a number of waggons, laden with ammunition and field-pieces, arrived here from Dublin, escorted by a party of the Artillery."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in St Eustatia, to his friend in Glasgow, dated March 4.

"The Commanders in Chief will do nothing to the English property here, till they know his Majesty's pleasure. All the principal shops are still shut up. It is said, the sale of the property of our enemies will begin the 15th instant. The rich ships that were taken in the harbour are to be sent home. Rear Admiral Hood, with a strong squadron, is now cruising off Martinique, to intercept a squadron of eleven sail of the French line, and about 100 merchantmen, bound for that port, and we are in hourly expectation of hearing of their being taken. We still keep up the Dutch colours, and decoy a great number of vessels. It is thought, we will soon undertake another expedition. The troops that were employed against this place, are the first battalion of Royal Scots, 13th and 69th regiments. The Royals and 13th are left to garrison the island."

Extract of a letter from one of the hands belonging to the Eagle privateer, Capt Gray, dated Rotterdam, April 10, 1781.

"Before now you will have heard of the unhappy capture of the Eagle privateer, by a Dunkirk cutter; we were sometime confined in the cutter, then in a Dutch man of war, and at last removed to the prison in this place, where our people are used in the most humane and tender manner.—We are all new rigged by the Dutch, which, with other assistance by proper physicians, have made such as were sick almost altogether well. I live very comfortably, could I resist captivity and the removal from my family."

Members chosen for the ensuing General Assembly.

Presbytery of KIRKCALDY.—Mr James Alison at Holm; Mr John Scollay at St Andrew's and Decines, Ministers; Robert Baikie of Tankerness, Esq; Ruling Elder.

Presbytery of CARRINGTON.—Mr John Falconer at Stromness; Mr Francis Liddell at Orphir, Ministers; William Honyman, Esq; Advocate, Ruling Elder.

Burgh of ABERROTHOCK.—Mr Alexander Hart, Clerk to the High Court of Justiciary, Ruling Elder.

Presbytery of ZETLAND.—Mr James Finlayson at Sandilizing; Mr William Jack at Northmanning, Ministers; Biele John Grieve, Edinburgh, Ruling Elder.

An Old JURYMAN shall appear on Monday, if possible.

Mr MATHESON, Joint Rector of the High School, according to his usual practice, continues to teach Latin and Greek Classes, during the Summer and Autumn.

LEITH SHIPPING.

ARRIVED.
April 29. Falkirk, Wilbart, from Newcastle, with goods.
Glasgow and Paisley Packet, Bald, from Carron, ditto.
Providence Blessing, South, from Southampton, with bark.
Endeavour, Scott, from Wiltch, with flax, hops, &c.
Thomas and Ann, Todd, from Wells, with barley.
Betty and Peggy, Robertson, from Berwick, with grain.
Powlynn, Livingston, from Boston, with oats.
Squirrel, Paterson, from Newburgh, in ballast.
Oak, Williamson, from York, with wood.
20. Laurel, Hudson, from Stockton, with oats.
21. Euphan, Malselm, from Aberdeen, with goods.
Elizabeth, Bruce, from Borrowstouness, with salt, &c.
SAILED.
Peggy, McCulloch, for Methell, with oats.
Jean, Brown, for Glasgow, with goods.
Jean, Fife, for ditto, ditto.
Thomas, Grant, for Aberdeen, ditto.
Ann, Lamb, for Arbroath, ditto.

Edinburgh, April 21. 1781.
LOST last night, betwixt Mill's Square and St Andrew's Street, A Plain Outer GOLD CASE of a WATCH. Any person that has found it, that will bring it to Mr Dickie watch-maker, on the Bridge, will be handsomely rewarded. His Watch-table was in the case when lost.

CELESTIAL and TERRESTRIAL GLOBES, MAPS, STATIONARY, &c. &c.

C. ELLIOT, Bookseller, Parliament-Square, has just received some of Mr ADAMS's best eighteen and twelve inch diameter CELESTIAL and TERRESTRIAL GLOBES, including the latest published discoveries of Captain Cook, &c. The 18 inches set, with boxes, 8 l. 8 s. the 12 inches set, with boxes, 4 l. 14 s. 6 d. Terrestrial (12 inches) separately, 2 l. 10 s. ADAMS'S BOOK OF THE GLOBES, 6 s. bound.—N. B. When expense of boxes, freight, insurance, and, above all, risk of damage (which is very considerable) is considered, purchasers will find the above price more reasonable by many per cent. than they can bring them from London on their own account.

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The following Maps, and Books of Maps;

General Atlas, folio, 3 l. 3 s.	Arncliffe's Maps of the Counties of Scotland, 18 s.
Dunn's Atlas, 2 l. 1 s.	Taylor and Skinner's accurate Book of the Roads of Scotland, neatly bound for the pocket, price only 10 s. 6 d.
D'Anville's Ancient Geography, folio, 1 l. 4 s.	Guthrie's Geographical Grammar, 4to and 8vo.
American Atlas, 3 l.	
West India Atlas, 3 l. 3 s.	
Dury's Atlas, folio, 1 l. 4 s.	
Jeffrey's Maps of the Roads of England, 10 s. 6 d.	

A great variety of four-sheet Maps of the World, Europe, Asia, Africa, America; Scotland, England, Ireland, &c. &c. in sheets, at 5 s. each, and upon rollers at 10 s. 6 d. and many others, too tedious to mention.

C. ELLIOT has likewise received, a neat assortment of Yew-tree, Satin-wood, and Ebony INK STANDS, of the greatest variety, from 3 l. 3 s. to 10 s. 6 d. and 5 s.

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A variety of STATIONARY, particularly a quantity of best DUTCH QUILLS, just received, after being detained four months at Rotterdam; and great choice of Writing Papers, at the lowest prices.

Next Week will be published,
By WILLIAM CREECH,
The EIGHTH and LAST VOLUME

NATURAL HISTORY,

By the COUNT DE BUFFON.
Translated into English.

Illustrated with Three Hundred and One Copperplates;

And Notes and Observations by the Translator.

N. B. Complete Sets of the above work, in Eight Volumes, will be ready to be delivered soon. Those who wish to be possessed of this book, will please send their orders immediately, as the remaining copies will be sent to London by the first convey from Leith.

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1. Gibbon's History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire, illustrated with a head of the Author, volumes second and third.
2. The same book volume first, a new edition.
3. Hayley's Trials of Temper, and Essay on History.
4. The Trial of Captain Donellan.
5. Sherlock's Travels through France, Italy, and Germany, 4 volumes.
6. Love and Madness, a new edition.
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8. Anna and Edgar, a Tale, by Mrs Inglis.

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WITH the Approbation of the Magistrates of Kirkcaldy, J. and B. ELLIOT are to open a BOARDING and SEWING SCHOOL at Whitfordhill, six YOUNG LADIES, in the house possessed by the late Mrs Goupar, opposite the Kirk Wynd.—Boarding at 13 l. a year, and 3 l. 10 s. per quarter, in which is included teaching white seam, samplar, and built-cloth.—In their day-school the following articles are taught, viz. White seam, samplar, and built-cloth, at 2 s. 6 d. per quarter; coloured work, 3 s. 6 d.; Dresden, 5 s.; Lace-working, 3 s.; Net-working, 3 s. 6 d.; Fringe-working, 3 s. 6 d.; Tambour, 6 s.; Embroidering, with gold and silver, 6 s.; Millinery and Washing and Dressing, washing and cramping Ladies' Buffons 10 s. 6 d.

All the work, either in the school or millinery way, will be performed in the neatest and most expeditious manner, at the most reasonable rates, and particular attention paid to the fashions.

Every kind of white seam taken in, and done at a low rate. Black cloaks and caps readymade, or on very short notice.

The situation of Kirkcaldy is pleasant, healthy, and well-situated, very convenient for sea-bathing; and boarders will have the advantage of a good public or private school in the place, for learning French, English, Writing, Arithmetic, &c.

TO be SOLD, by auction, on Thursday the 26th of April, and the following days of the week;

The FURNITURE of a House in Thistle Court, New Town, belonging to a lady gone to England, consisting of the Furniture of a dining-room, drawing-room, and two bed-rooms, with dressing-rooms, servants rooms, and all other particulars of a house neatly furnished, kitchen furniture excepted.

THE Commissioners of Supply of the Shire

of Edinburgh appointed by an act passed in this session of Parliament, entitled "An Act for granting an aid to his Majesty for a land-tax to be raised in Great Britain for the service of the year 1781," are desired to meet in the Inner Session House of Edinburgh, upon Monday the 30th day of April instant, at twelve o'clock mid-day, in order to chuse their clerk and collector, and put the said act in execution, where it is hoped the Commissioners will be pleased to attend.

N. B. The Trustees for putting in execution the Turnpike Acts for the Shire of Edinburgh, and Justices of Peace for the said shire at their Quarter Sessions are to meet the same time and place.

TO BE SOLD,

THE HOUSE or LODGING in the east side of George's Square, Edinburgh, with coach-house and stable for six horses, belonging to Mr Graham of Gartmore.

For particulars apply to Robert Stewart writer, Edinburgh.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, GREENOCK.

April 16. Nelly, McKirdy, from Eldale, with slate stones.
 Jeffie, McCallum, from ditto, ditto.
 Littlejohn privateer, Marshall, from a cruise.
 17. La Judith, Stewart, from Jersey, with goods.
 Britannia, Evan, from Cordican, with meal.
 Speedwell, Davies, from ditto, ditto.
 18. Belford, Pour, from Dungarvan, with oats.
 Menny, Murray, from Irvine, with beef.
 19. The Satisfaction armed ship, from a cruise.
 James, Macdonald, from Ayr, with goods.
 SAILED.
 17. Hawk, Paterfon, for Quebec, with goods.
 Akers, Rae, from St Kitts, ditto.
 Lilly, McRobb, for Belfast, ditto.
 Janet, Harvie, for Waterford, ditto.
 18. Phoenix, Cunningham, for Dublin, in ballast.
 Peggy, Rew, for Newfoundland, with goods.
 Jean, Black, for Dublin, ditto.
 Nelly and Peggy, McIntyre, for Dublin, ditto.
 Earl of Tyrone, Brown, for Dungarvan, with coals.

MONEY WANTED TO BORROW.

FROM 1500l. to 3500 l. Sterling, upon undoubted heritable security.—Apply to Thomas Bailie writer, Edinburgh.

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JUST arrived, and to be sold by MARTIN and KERR, Leith, a Parcel of fine NEW RED CLOVER SEED, on reasonable terms, for ready money only.
 Not less than one bag, containing from two to three hundred weight will be sold.

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Opposite Chapel of Ease, Crosscaulky.
 RETURNS his best thanks to the public in general, and his friends in particular, for the many favours conferred upon him, and flatters himself, that he has it in his power to merit the continuance of their approbation, &c.—Begg leave to inform them, that he has got to hand a very fine assortment of TEAS and SPIRITS, superior to any yet offered the Public, which he is selling off, upon very moderate terms. Teas from Two Shillings and Ten Pence to Twenty Shillings per lib. all ENGLISH WEIGHT, as he has never practised that method of mixing with Sloe or Bountree leaves, to enable him to sell Dutch weight. The Public may depend upon his Teas being genuine.
 Sugars to Tea Customers at prime cost, FOR READY MONEY ONLY.

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At his TEA and SPIRIT WAREHOUSE, third shop below the head of the Pleth-Market Close.
 RETURNS his most sincere thanks to his friends and the public, for the good encouragement he hath already met with, and can assure them, it shall be his study to pay such attention to business, that he is hopeful will make his dealing mutual, having at present a very large and good assortment of TEAS, of an excellent quality, and to moderate in prices, that he can venture to say, none has been offered to sale for some time past more worthy the attention of the public; which are now selling at the following prices, viz.

	per lib.	Old Jamaica Double Rum	per gal.
Best Bohea, at	3 s. 0 d.		
Congo,	5 0	at	11 s. 0 d.
Finest ditto,	5 6	Single ditto,	6 0
Fine Souchong,	6 6	Coniac Brandy,	12 0
Very best ditto,	7 0	Good Brandy,	7 0
Hyson,	10 6	— Brandy,	5 6
Superfine ditto,	13 0	Fine Holland Gin,	7 0
		Good ditto,	5 6
		Good proof Whisky,	3 6
		Whisky	3 0

All Dutch weight.
 Cinnamon, Shrub, &c. at the lowest prices.
 N. B. Orders are taken in here for his DISTILLERY in the country, where Whisky, and all other kinds of British Spirits, are sold in WHOLESALE ONLY, at the lowest prices, and best qualities.

GOAT WHEY near Edinburgh.

GOAT WHEY and COUNTRY ROOMS, to be had at Upper Braid, in the neighbourhood of Edinburgh, now and during the season—And GOAT MILK also sent into town, if desired.
 Apply at the farm-house of Upper Braid.
 N. B. To be LET, the Farms of EGYPT and UPPER BRAID.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of WILLIAM late VISCOUNT OF STRATHALLAN.
 LORD STRATHALLAN'S Estate having been forfeited, was sold before the Barons of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer, and two divisions of the price thereof were made among his Creditors, the one on the 22d November 1755, and the other on the 22d November 1758. But as the funds under division did not fully pay what was due, the Creditors, or their representatives, are therefore now desired to lodge with John Wauchope writer to the signet, notes of the respective debts due to them: And the representatives of such as are dead, must also lodge notes of the titles upon which they claim, and, if required, the titles themselves; when all such as have unexceptionable claims will be immediately paid what remains due to them.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE Creditors of THOMAS and HELEN TURNBULL tenants in Doorpool, in the county of Roxburgh, are hereby required, betwixt and the term of Whitunday next, to lodge in the hands of Andrew Reid writer in Jedburgh, door for the Trustees of the said Thomas and Helen Turnbull, their several claims and grounds of debt, with oaths of verity thereon, in order that they may be ranked upon, and receive their proportion of the funds of the said Thomas and Helen Turnbull, then to be divided amongst the Creditors; with certification, if they fail to do so, they will be cut out of their share of the bankrupt estate. Not to be repeated.

NOTICE.

NIEL MCLAURIN, in Invercargill, parish of Ardochattan, Argyle-shire, having died on the 12th March last, it is requested that all persons to whom he is indebted will immediately send distinct notes of their claims to John Marshall junior, writer in Glasgow, that proper measures may be concerted for the benefit of all concerned.

JUDICIAL SALE of the Lands of FRANKFIELD, NEAR GLASGOW.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Parliament House, upon Thursday the 28th day of June 1781, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills for the time.
 The Lands of Garthamuck Moir, now called FRANKFIELD, with the mansion-house, offices, and hall pertinents; as also, that part and portion of the lands of Racheffie, commonly called GARTLISKEN-HILL, and houses thereon, inclosed with a stone dyke, and a Craig called the ASH CRAIG, all which lands are parts and portions of the lands and lordship of Provau, lying within the barony parish of Glasgow, and shire of Lanark, which belonged to the deceased James Hunter of Frankfield, with the privilege of purchasing the teinds at the upset price of 593 l. 6 s. 4 d. 6-12ths Sterling.
 And likewise, the balance of 370 l. 1 s. 5 d. 10-12ths Sterling of an heritable debt due to the said deceased James Hunter, by John Spruel of Milton and Rebecca Hay, spouses, extending over the feudalities of one jult and equal third part of the lands of Inchnoch and Gain, at the upset price of 300 l. Sterling, with interest after Whitunday 1780.
 The articles and conditions of roup, progress of writs, and rental, to be seen in the hands of John Callender deputy-clerk of Session, or Robert Stewart writer in Edinburgh.

INTIMATION

To the Creditors of JOHN PRINGLE of Crichton, and ROBERT RUTHERFORD of Fairmaile.

THE Creditors are desired, without delay, to lodge in the hands of Alexander Farquharson comptant in Edinburgh, or Hugh Bremner his clerk, their grounds of debt, with oaths on the verity, specifying the particular sums resting to them, the annualrents due, and the payments, if any made; that the Trustee may be enabled to draw up a correct state of the debts, and a scheme of division of the prices of the lands now sold, and of the other funds collected for their payment.

PAVING THE STREETS OF DINGWALL.

WANTED, a proper person to undertake the paving of the high street of the burgh of Dingwall, from the burn at the west end of the town, to the Cross at the east end thereof, consisting of 560 yards in length, and six yards in breadth, to have a drain all along the south side of the street, two feet deep by one foot eight inches broad, coarse flags in the bottom, and built with quarry stones and clay on the sides, and covered above with hewn pavement five feet in breadth, with pails at every three yards distance to keep off carriages from the pavement, and to have gutter-stones along the north side of the street. The round stones may be had at the water of Comon, about two miles distance from the town, and may be carried by land, or the most part by water. The rubble stones for the drain to be furnished from the quarry of the burgh, within a quarter of a mile of the town, and the hewn stones from the quarry of Culhokie, distance three miles, water carriage.

The whole of the above operation to be finished on or before the end of October next. And whoever agrees to undertake the above operation, are to transmit their proposal, with an estimate of the expence at which they are to complete the work, to Provost Andrew Robertson of Dingwall, on or before the 15th of May next, at farthest. And the undertaker is to have a sufficient cautioner bound with him, in a contract to be entered into with the Magistrates and Council of Dingwall, for the above purpose.
 N. B. The Magistrates and Council have in view, after the above work is finished, to pave 500 yards more of Cross street.

A LODGING in Hunter's Park, Richmond

Street, consisting of two floors. The ground floor contains a kitchen, parlour, bed-room, pantry, and other conveniences. The floor above contains a drawing-room and three bed-chambers. Behind the house, which stands by itself, there is a flower-garden and grass-plot, with a pump-well.

To be LET, for one or more years.

THE House of HILLHEAD, with Garden,

Coach-house, Stable, and other office-houses, as lately possessed by Lady Murray, and thereafter by Mr Steel, situated on the south side of the river Esk, two measured miles above Dalkeith, and six miles from Edinburgh.
 Also, Twenty-five Scots Acres of GROUND thereto adjoining, all inclosed, and under grass, in whole or in part. The entry to the whole at Whitunday next. The house to be seen every day.
 For farther particulars, enquire at Alexander Mackenzie writer to the signet, or Mr Clerk at Eddon.
 Not to be repeated.

ROUP OF FURNITURE.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, at Mr Cheap's house, St Andrew's Square, on Monday the 23d April instant.
 A Variety of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of Mahogany Tables, Chairs, Drawers, Bed-heads, Grates, &c.; Feather Beds, Mattresses and Blankets, Carpets, Also, Silver Plate, with China and Glass; complete Kitchen Furniture, &c.; variety of Prints, and some Paintings, framed, glazed, and gilded. Most of the Furniture is new, and all of it in the best order.
 The first day's sale to consist of the Kitchen Furniture; second day, of the Mahogany and standing Furniture; and third day, of the Silver Plate, China, Glass, and the other articles above-mentioned.
 The sale to begin at ten o'clock each forenoon, and to continue until all is sold off.

SALE OF GROWING OAK.

THERE is to be exposed to sale by roup, at Culmory, in the parish of Ardsclach and county of Nairn, upon Saturday the 28th day of April inst.
 A PARCEL of very fine OAK TREES, mostly full grown, consisting of 600 and upwards.
 From Culmory to Nairn, (a convenient sea-port at the distance only of six miles), there is a proper communication by a well-made road, fit for carriages of every size.—Intended purchasers may, at any time before the sale, have an opportunity of viewing the oak, by calling upon John Smith at Culmory-house, who will show the premises.

JUDICIAL SALE.

By ADJOURNMENT.
 SUBJECTS to be set up in lots at lower upset sums.
 TO be SOLD, by roup, within the New Session house of Edinburgh upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next, betwixt the hours of two and four in the afternoon.

The LANDS in the territory of Eyemouth, and county of Berwick, with the portion of Coldingham Common, allocated as part and pertinent to the HOUSES and YARDS in the town of Eyemouth, belonging to James Turnbull merchant in Eyemouth, in the following lots: viz.

- Lot I. The Field-lands, with the portion of the common in one lot, at the upset sum of 673 l. 15 s. 6 d. 9-12ths, being at the rate of twenty-two years purchase of the stock, and five years purchase of 1 l. 3 s. 10 d. 3-12ths of teind.
- Lot II. The Tenement of Houses and Granaries in Eyemouth, with the pertinents acquired from Sir James Home in one lot, at the upset sum of 243 l. 12 s. 2 d. 8-12ths Sterling, being at the rate of ten years purchase.
- Lot III. The large House possessed by James Turnbull and others, and the rest of the Houses in Eyemouth, with the yards and pertinents belonging to the common debtor in one lot, at the upset sum of 383 l. 5 s. 3 d. 10-12ths Sterling, being at the rate of eleven years purchase.

The subjects, holding, and deductions, are particularly described and in the act and articles of roup, which may be seen, by applying to Alexander Ross deputy clerk of Session, Thomas Cockburn writer to the signet; and persons intending to purchase may also apply for information to David Renton writer in Eyemouth.

TO be LET, for such number of years as may be agreed on, the entry at Whitunday next.

The TOWN and LANDS of SCOTHOUSE,

situated on the side of Loch-nevis, within the parish of Glenelg, and shire of Inverness, with a good mansion house, office-houses, and garden, fit for accommodating a genteel family: The Town and Lands of INVERIBEG, marching with said farm of Scotthouse, with a good corn-mill thereon; together with the heathlands and graings of Torrory. Also, the Town and Lands of GLENDULOGHAN, and Lands of KONLOCHULACHAN adjoining thereto, both of great extent, and remarkable for rearing black cattle of the best quality.
 These Farms are of considerable extent, and of good quality, both for corn-crop and pasturing, and rearing black cattle or sheep; and there is on the Lands of Scotthouse a ware for manufacturing twelve tons of kelp this season. The Lands of Glendalochan have an extensive tract of hill-grass, and will pasture a number of sheep without diminishing the usual Stocking of black cattle. The whole are in the natural possession of the proprietor.
 The Stocking of black cattle, horses, and sheep presently on the said farms are to be sold at or before Whitunday next. The black cattle are of the best kind in the Highlands.
 Any person inclining to take a lease of the whole, or any part of the said lands, may apply to the proprietor at Scotthouse; or to James Frazer writer to the signet.

FORTH AND CLYDE NAVIGATION.

A QUARTERLY General Meeting of the Company of Proprietors of the Forth and Clyde Navigation, falls to be held within the Leigh Parliament-house here, on the 1st (being the first Tuesday) of May, at eleven o'clock forenoon, in terms of act of Parliament.

CIRCUS

IN THE PLAN OF BUILDINGS WITHIN THE EXTENDED ROYALTY OF EDINBURGH.

PROPOSALS were this day made by the Lord Provost to a General Meeting of the Proprietors for making a Variation in the Plan of the Buildings within the Extended Royalty of this City, which would not only be ornamental, but a great inducement to the Public to erect Buildings there. His Lordship's proposition was, That a CIRCUS should be introduced in the Plan in George-Street, in that part of it where it is intersected from north to south by Frederick-Street, being the center-point between the two squares in which any future public buildings that might be erected within the Extended Royalty would probably be situated.

The feuars who were present at this meeting unanimously approved of the proposed variation; but in order that this measure may be notified to all others concerned, and that, if they see cause for it, they may timely lodge their objections to it with me, the meeting authorise me to publish this their resolution in all the Edinburgh news papers, and in the London Gazette; and adjourned the further consideration of the matter till their General Meeting, to be held here on Saturday the 16th of June next, at Prince's Street Coffee-house, at one o'clock afternoon: Of which all concerned are hereby requested to take notice.
 Edinburgh, Feb. 19, }
 1781. } ROBERT DONALDSON.

A HOUSE near the Friendly Insurance Office, for SALE.

TO be SOLD, by auction, within the British Coffee-house, on Monday evening, the 23d of April current, betwixt the hours of six and seven o'clock.

That DWELLING-HOUSE top of Henderson's land, entering off the head of the Scale Stairs that lead from the Parliament Square to the Cowgate, possessed by Mr Macgregor, consisting of four fire-rooms, a kitchen, lighted closet, &c.

The upset price will be 50 l. The house was purchased lately by Mr John Sword merchant, deceased, at 97 l. It is insured in the Friendly Insurance Office, on the original plan, at 650 l. Scots. The premium is paid up, and 14 s. 5 d. of dividend due at Whitunday next, to all which the purchaser will have right.

The articles of roup, progress of writs, &c. to be seen in the hands of George Youll writer, at Mr Watson's, Milne's Court, Edinburgh.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

SALE OF LANDS IN EAST LOTHIAN.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange coffee-house, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 25th day of April 1781, between the hours of five and six afternoon.

The Lands and Estate of ST GERMAINS, comprehending the lands of St Germain's, Cheshamhall and Greendykes, lying within the parishes of Tament and Gladsmuir, constabulary of Haddington, and shire of Edinburgh. The estate consists of full 400 Scots acres of exceeding good arable land, all inclosed and subdivided, partly with stone walls, and partly with hedge and ditch; and there is a field of coal in the ground, of three seams, which may be wrought to great advantage. The lands are pleasantly situated in a fine country, eleven miles east of Edinburgh, five from Haddington, and two from Prestonpans, commanding an extensive prospect of the Frith and opposite coast of Fife, and are in the near neighbourhood of plenty of lime. A part are in the proprietor's natural possession, in high cultivation, and may be entered to immediately after the sale; the rest are let to substantial tenants. Putting a moderate value on the grounds in the proprietor's possession, the free yearly rent amounts to about 385 l. sterling; and the lands are valued in the cess-books of Haddington-shire, at 698 l. 17 s. 2 d. Scots, affording very near two freehold qualifications for a member of Parliament.

There is an exceeding good substantial mansion-house on the estate, lately repaired, which may accommodate a large family, and suitable offices, all in good repair; a remarkable fine garden of two acres, with walls stocked with fruit trees of the best kinds, and a hot-house furnished with vines and pines. There is also melon and cucumber ground, a pigeon-house, porter's lodge, &c.

The lands will be exposed at the upset price of 9600 l.

The place is in complete order, and done up with great taste.

The title deeds, articles of sale, a plan and measurement of the lands, may be seen in the hands of William Ramsay clerk to the signet.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament-house, Edinburgh, before the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills, upon Tuesday the 22d of May next, between the hours of four and six o'clock afternoon.

Four Husbandlands, and One-eighth Part of a Husbandland, and Three Roods of Land, and hall pertinents thereof, lying within the town and territory of BLAINSLIE, and shire of Roxburgh; the free rent whereof is 33 l. 1 s. 5 d. 3-12ths; and the price put thereon by the Lords, at which they are to be exposed, after adding the value of the free teind, is 845 l. 17 s. 7 d. 3-12ths, being 25 years purchase. The lands are holden of a subject-superior, for a trifling feu-duty of 8 s. 5 d. 4-12ths, and not under lease.

The articles and conditions of roup, and progress, may be seen in the office of Mr Stevenson deputy clerk of session; and further information will be had by applying to William Moffat or James Gray writers in Edinburgh.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Parliament House, Edinburgh, before the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills, upon Wednesday the 20th day of June next, between the hours of four and five o'clock afternoon.

The Lands and Estate of LADIFFRON or LENDIFFRON, lying in the parish of Monymenal, and shire of Fife, the free rent whereof is 115 l. 18 s. 2 d. 8-12ths Sterling, and the price put thereon by the Lords, at which they are to be exposed, is 2665 l. 18 s. 9 d. 1-half-penny Sterling, being twenty-three years purchase of said rent.

The lands are holden blench of the Crown, are under lease, which expires in six years hence, when a considerable rise of rent may be got. Their situation is commodious, being within three miles of Cupar, where there is a good constant market, and within three miles of the port of Newburgh.

The conditions of roup, and progress of writs, are in the hands of George Kirkpatrick deputy clerk of Session. And William Chalmers writer in Edinburgh can give more particular information about the premises.

SALE of LANDS in FORFAR-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse of Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 2d day of August 1781, between the hours of five and six afternoon, The LANDS and others after mentioned, in the lots following, viz.

LOT I.
 The Lands of OVER PITFORTHIE, and part of the Lands of COLDHAME, lying within the parish of Brechin and shire of Forfar, about a mile distant from the town of Brechin. The purchaser of this lot will be entitled to vote for a member of Parliament to represent the county of Forfar.

LOT II.
 The Lands of MUIRLAND-DEN, lying within the said parish of Brechin and shire of Forfar, about a mile distant from the town of Brechin.

LOT III.
 The Lands of NEWTON, lying in the parish of Strickathrow and shire of Forfar, about two miles distant from the town of Brechin. Further particulars will be given in a future advertisement, proper time before the day of sale.